

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A hard film for cutting tools which is composed of  
 $(\text{Ti}_{1-a-b-c-d}, \text{Al}_a, \text{Cr}_b, \text{Si}_c, \text{B}_d)(\text{C}_{1-e}\text{N}_e)$   
 $0.5 \leq a \leq 0.8, 0.06 \leq b, 0 \leq c \leq 0.1, 0 \leq d \leq 0.1,$   
 $0 \leq c+d \leq 0.1, a+b+c+d < 1, 0.5 \leq e \leq 1$   
(where a, b, c, and d denote respectively the atomic ratios  
of Al, Cr, Si, and B, and e denotes the atomic ratio of N.)